



Olive Pony Baseball

All-Star Player Selection Policy

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- a. In order for any player to be eligible to play All-Stars for Olive Pony, certain qualifications must be met.
 - i. A player **MUST** play in at least 50% of his regular season team's games in the division in which the child wishes to participate in for All-Stars. Thus, if your child's team during the spring season had 20 scheduled games, your child must have played in at least 10 of those games to be eligible for All-Stars.
 - ii. Players are **ONLY** eligible to play for the All-Star team(s) selected for that player's own age, unless an exception is approved by the Olive Pony board. Thus, if your child is League Age 9, he must play for a "9U" All-Star team, unless the Olive Pony board approves an exception, and the player must have played at that age level during the preceding Spring Season.
 - iii. To be eligible for All-Stars, players must not be members of any other PONY league All-Star team. If any player is on more than one Pony All-Star roster during the All-Star season, the player and their team are ineligible, and the team will be disqualified from all Pony tournament events.
 - iv. To be eligible, each player must provide an original copy of their birth certificate, a current utility bill showing the player's address, a clear photo of the player, and a signed medical release form to the All-Star manager prior to the start of Pony Tournament games.
- b. Each All-Star Team must have 12 rostered players and no more than 15.



- c. The Olive Pony Board will decide how many teams an age group can form based on talent pool and coaching pool and remain competitive.
- d. The All-Star Manager Selects 4 players of his choosing, the division coaches select the next 6 players, and the All-Star Manager selects the final 2. All selections must come from a pool of players who have signed the All-Star Eligibility form and met the OPB & Pony National Requirements to be eligible to play in All-Stars.
- e. The Select Team in each age group will be entered into tournaments as the A Team and the All-Star Team in each age group will be entered into the tournaments as the B Team.

2. LEGAL PLAYERS

- a. Tournament players shall:
 - i. Be of proper age, as stated in these rules;
 - ii. Reside within the boundaries of the organization league represented by the tournament team;
 - iii. Have participated in at least one-half of their team's games in the league division represented unless excused because of a scholastic competition. Upon written request from an organization league, Region Directors may lower this requirement to participation in one-third of a team's games for a player or players who are engaged in a state high school baseball tournament and are prohibited from PONY Baseball play until scholastic competition is completed. Any players who participate in the USA Baseball Tournament of Stars will have those games count towards this total.
 - iv. Comply with the rules and regulations for organization league and tournament play.



- b. Tournament team players shall be required to wear an official tournament team emblem, sewn or ironed on the right sleeve or right part of vest (chest area) of the uniform, when participating in tournament play at all levels. Same team members must wear patches in the same location. These emblems are available through PONY Baseball.
- c. Players shall not participate with more than one PONY Baseball tournament team within a season, and once removed from that tournament team roster, a player shall not be considered eligible for further tournament play that season.

3. ELIGIBILITY AFFIDAVIT

- a. Each organization league president or designated organization league officer shall examine the birth certification documents of all players on the organization league tournament team and, using the eligibility affidavit form provided by PONY Baseball, shall confirm by this affidavit the eligibility of the players on the tournament team representing the organization league.
- b. The name of the player shall be listed on the eligibility affidavit exactly as it is shown on the birth document. (Example: “John William Jones,” not “Johnny Jones”).
- c. Two copies of the eligibility affidavit shall be presented to the tournament director at the team’s first tournament game.
 - i. The original copy, bearing the team pitching record on the reverse side, shall be returned to the winning team following completion of the tournament and shall be presented for examination at all future tournament games.

4. BIRTH CERTIFICATION



- a. Tournament team business managers shall carry with them to all tournament games evidence of each player's date of birth as described in Rule 4-H. Birth certification documents shall be presented to a credentials committee appointed by the Tournament Director before each level of tournament play begins. Player contracts must also be presented by all PALOMINO 19U™ and THOROBRED 23U™ players.

5. REPLACEMENT OF TOURNAMENT PLAYERS

- a. Once the eligibility affidavit has been presented to the Tournament Director of the team's first tournament game, no change or addition shall be made on the player roster for any reason except illness of, or injury to, a player, or for those who sign professional baseball contracts. Any changes or corrections of the eligibility affidavit shall be made in the presence of the Tournament Director, who shall initial and date approval of the changes or additions on the affidavit.
- b. Any replacement of a player on a tournament team for reasons of illness, or injury to, the player only, shall be supported by written certification from an attending physician as to the conditions necessitating the replacement.
 - i. The original statement or statements shall be attached to the original copy of the eligibility affidavit and carried with the team to all future tournament games.
 - ii. Replacement players shall be selected from among other legal and eligible players in the organization league in which the team played during the regular season.